

# We're Going on an Adventure – KS1 Autumn term 2

## 2023-2024

The adventure continues! We have a range of exciting texts to share and enjoy together, which will take us on adventures far and wide. The topic will then draw to a close before Christmas week with an outdoor adventurous camping day on the field where children enjoy the fruits of their DT and set off on their own adventure in the wilds of the school's grounds.

### English:

This half term we will be using the story 'Traction Man' by Mini Gray to create plots and paragraphs in our writing. We will be looking at the tools used to structure a story, identifying the beginning, middle and end. We will also focus on our sentence structure and punctuation. We will then write a persuasive piece of writing to 'save the pond'.

Phonics lessons will take place daily. In Year 1 the children will be introduced to the phase 5 sounds. In Year 2 the children will have their daily spelling sessions. Don't forget to check out Spelling Shed.

We will continue to carry out 3 adult led reading practice sessions a week. Focusing on fluency, prosody and comprehension. Your child will then be taking home their reading book to continue to practise on Fridays.

### Maths:

In Year 1 we will spend time identifying the parts and whole of a number. For example, 5 (whole) can be composed of 2 (part) and 3 (part). We will explore simple addition and subtraction number problems and begin to introduce fact families.

In Year 2 we will build on our addition and subtraction knowledge by adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers. We will complete the Autumn term by use mathematical vocabulary when identifying 2D and 3D shapes including edges, vertices, sides and faces.

**RE:** This half term we will share children experiences of Diwali. We will also discuss Christmas traditions from around the world.

### Computing:

This term we have been learning how to log onto a computer safely. We have searched for images and copy and paste these into a document.

### Science:

This term we will be feeding our **curiosity** learning about animal classifications. We will identify and name a variety of common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. We will identify animal diets using the terms carnivore, omnivore and herbivore.



### History:

This half term we will be learning about the legacy of Mr George Wright and his impact on the Fulbourn community.

### Thinking and Feeling:

This term we will be learning about the Zones of Regulation. This develops children's awareness of feelings, energy and alertness levels while exploring a variety of tools and strategies for regulation, prosocial skills, self-care, and overall wellness. This curriculum provides us an easy way to think and talk about how we feel on the inside and sort these feelings into four coloured Zones, all of which are expected in life.

### Art:

We will look at the work of Beatrix Potter and talk about what we notice, like and dislike. We will explore colour and tone by adding watercolour to our illustrations from last term.



### DT:

This half term we will design our own page for the story 'Traction Man', which contains a slider or lever.

### Key Dates:

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> 9am - Panto Trip

Please contact us with any questions or comments you may have. We will be available at the classroom door each day, or you can contact us via email at your convenience.

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